

**IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF FEDERAL CLAIMS**

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GERALD E. BELL, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Defendant.

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Case No. 13-455-PEC  
Hon. Patricia E. Campbell-Smith  
(E-Filed June 14, 2019)

**Joint Status Report**

In accordance with the Court's October 18, 2017 order (ECF No. 66) and July 19, 2018 order (ECF No. 72), the parties report that the settlement has received final approval from the appropriate supervisory officials at the Department of Homeland Security, the International Boundary and Water Commission, and the Department of Justice. The parties have finalized the settlement documents and the United States has transmitted the settlement payment to counsel for Plaintiffs. The parties require additional time to obtain the final signatures and prepare the dismissal papers.

The parties believe that the stay should be continued. The parties propose to file a joint status report in thirty days if the dismissal papers are not filed before then.

Dated: June 14, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

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